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In the abstract:

Replace the abstract with the following version.

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Abstract of the Disclosure

The invention relates to a composition providing sustained release of a drug, the composition including (1) a mucopolysaccharide, a carrier protein, and a drug; or (2) a mucopolysaccharide and a protein drug.

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